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SUBJ: SIGNING CEREMONY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATY

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1. PRIME MINISTER TOM ADAMS IS CURRENTLY IN EUROPE. HE IS EXPECTED TO RETURN TO BARBADOS ABOUT SEPT. 1. UPON RECEIPT OF REFTEL INSTRUCTIONS,

I ASKED EXTAFFMIN FORDE FOR AN INFORMAL INDICATION AS TO WHETHER ADAMS COULD ATTEND A SIGNING CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON WITHIN THE NEXT FEW DAYS. FORDE POINTED OUT THAT ADAMS SCHEDULE IN EUROPE HAD BEEN SET UP MANY WEEKS IN ADVANCE AND THAT OTHER GOB OFFICIALS WOULD BE FLYING TO EUROPE TODAY TO JOIN HIM. FORDE DOUBTED THAT ADAMS COULD INTERRUPT HIS TRIP BUT SAID HE WOULD COMMUNICATE OUR QUERY TO ADAMS IN LONDON. FORDE SAID HE HOPED TO HAVE A RESPONSE BY AUGUST 23.

2. I HAVE ALSO TELEPHONED SIR ERIC CAIRY, PRIME MINISTER OF GRENADA, TO WHOM I EMPHASIZED THE TENTATIVE AND INFORMAL NATURE
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OF OUR QUERY. SIR ERIC'S RESPONSE WAS PROMPT. HE SAID HE WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO ATTEND CEREMONY. WHEN I FURTHER SPELLED OUT MY DOUBTS THAT THE USG WOULD PAY TRAVEL EXPENSES, HIS ENTHUSIASM DIMINISHED SOMEWHAT BUT HE REPEATED HE WAS PREPARED TO GO.

3. PRESUMABLY DEPARTMENT WOULD DESIRE GAIRY'S PRESENCE AT CEREMONY ONLY IF THERE WOULD BE A FAIR-SIZED SHOWING OF OTHER HEADS

OF GOVT. IN THIS CONNECTION, I SURMISE ATTENDANCE MIGHT BE
SIGNIFICANTLY IMPROVED IF USG OFFERED TO DEFRAY
TRANSPORTATION AND OTHER COSTS. WERE WE TO OFFER TO DO SO ADAMS
MIGHT REPEAT MIGHT BE WILLING TO INTERRUPT HIS EUROPEAN TRIP.
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